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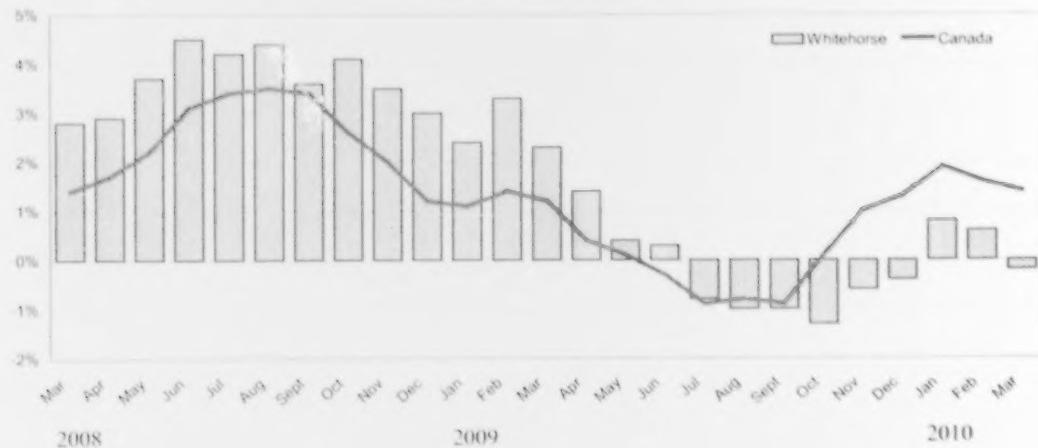
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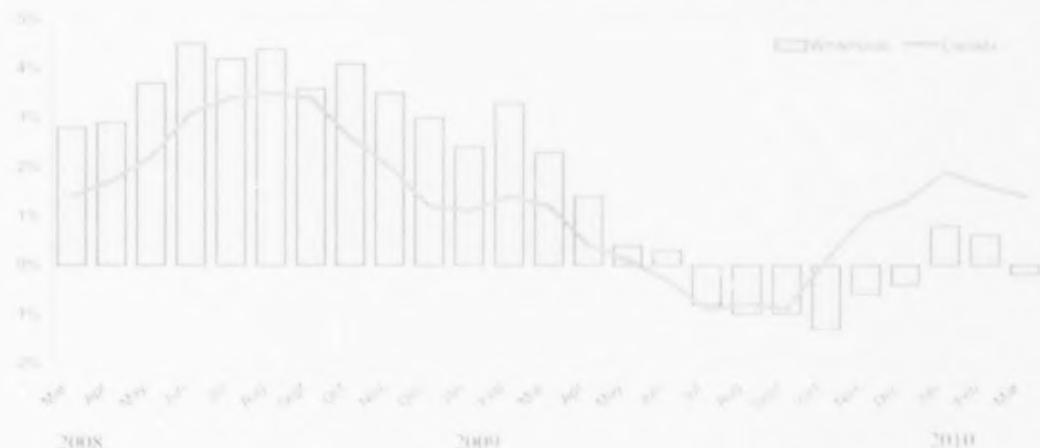
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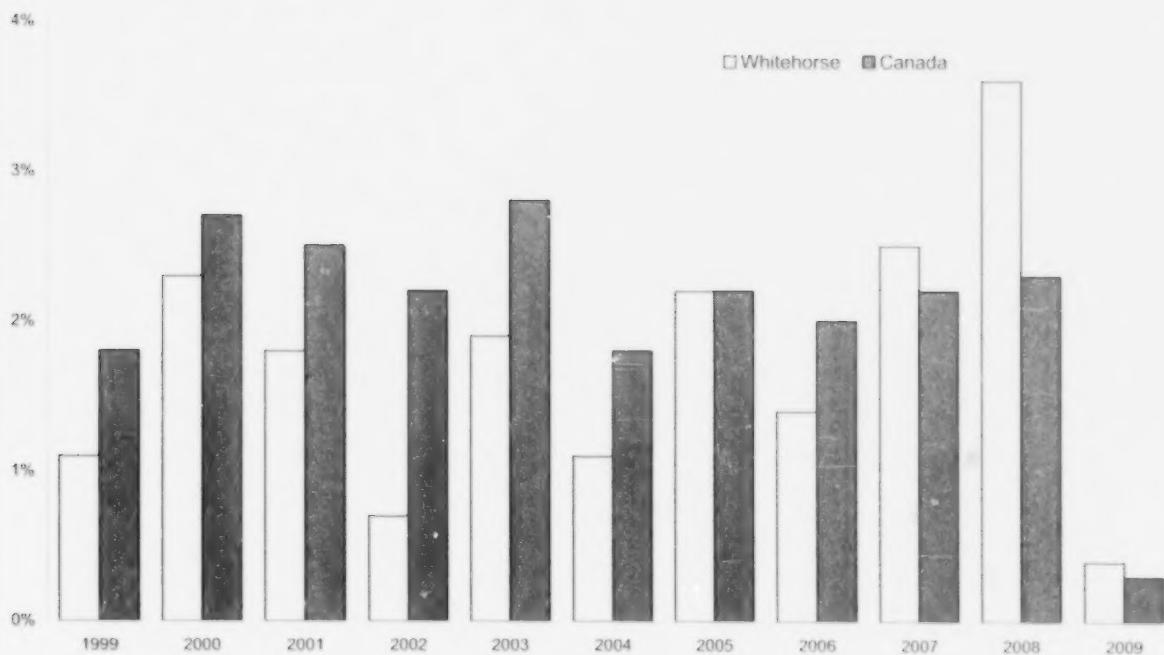
2 Consumer Price Index History - Annual Averages

Whitehorse (2002 = 100)

Canada (2002 = 100)

Year	All-Items Index	% Change From Previous Year	Year	All-Items Index	% Change From Previous Year
2009	113.8	0.4	2009	114.4	0.3
2008	113.4	3.6	2008	114.1	2.3
2007	109.5	2.5	2007	111.5	2.2
2006	106.8	1.4	2006	109.1	2.0
2005	105.3	2.2	2005	107.0	2.2
2004	103.0	1.1	2004	104.7	1.8
2003	101.9	1.9	2003	102.8	2.8
2002	100.0	0.7	2002	100.0	2.2
2001	99.3	1.8	2001	97.8	2.5
2000	97.5	2.3	2000	95.4	2.7
1999	95.3	1.1	1999	92.9	1.8

3 The Annual Average Rate of Inflation in Whitehorse vs. Canada



4 Consumer Price Index — (All Items, 2002 = 100)

	Index for Whitehorse 2008/09				Index for Canada 2008/09		
Month	2008	2009	% Change	Month	2008	2009	% Change
Jan	110.4	113.0	2.4	Jan	111.8	113.0	1.1
Feb	110.1	113.7	3.3	Feb	112.2	113.8	1.4
Mar	111.0	113.6	2.3	Mar	112.6	114.0	1.2
Apr	111.8	113.4	1.4	Apr	113.5	113.9	0.4
May	113.6	114.0	0.4	May	114.6	114.7	0.1
Jun	114.6	114.9	0.3	Jun	115.4	115.1	-0.3
Jul	115.3	114.4	-0.8	Jul	115.8	114.7	-0.9
Aug	115.4	114.2	-1.0	Aug	115.6	114.7	-0.8
Sep	114.8	113.7	-1.0	Sep	115.7	114.7	-0.9
Oct	114.9	113.4	-1.3	Oct	114.5	114.6	0.1
Nov	114.6	113.9	-0.6	Nov	114.1	115.2	1.0
Dec	113.9	113.4	-0.4	Dec	113.3	114.8	1.3
Year Average	113.4	113.8	0.4	Year Average	114.1	114.4	0.3

	Index for Whitehorse 2009/10				Index for Canada 2009/10		
Month	2009	2010	% Change	Month	2009	2010	% Change
Jan	113.0	113.9	0.8	Jan	113.0	115.1	1.9
Feb	113.7	114.4	0.6	Feb	113.8	115.6	1.6
Mar	113.6	113.4	-0.2	Mar	114.0	115.6	1.4
Apr	113.4			Apr	113.9		
May	114.0			May	114.7		
Jun	114.9			Jun	115.1		
Jul	114.4			Jul	114.7		
Aug	114.2			Aug	114.7		
Sep	113.7			Sep	114.7		
Oct	113.4			Oct	114.6		
Nov	113.9			Nov	115.2		
Dec	113.4			Dec	114.8		
Year Average	113.8	-	-	Year Average	114.4	-	-

5**Consumer Price Index for Whitehorse — March 2010**

	Index		% Change		
	Mar. 2010	Feb. 2010	Mar. 2009	Feb. '10 to Mar. '10	Mar. '09 to Mar. '10
All-Items	113.4	114.4	113.6	-0.9	-0.2
Food	117.3	116.9	115.8	0.3	1.3
Shelter	127.0	127.2	128.6	-0.2	-1.2
Household Operations & Furnishings	99.5	100.2	104.4	-0.7	-4.7
Clothing & Footwear	98.7	92.9	99.2	6.2	-0.5
Transportation	115.7	115.8	112.9	-0.1	2.5
Health & Personal Care	112.8	113.6	112.1	-0.7	0.6
Recreation, Education & Reading	94.2	102.1	94.3	-7.7	-0.1
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	133.5	134.2	132.8	-0.5	0.5
Special Aggregates					
Energy	135.5	135.4	125.6	0.1	7.9
All-Items excluding Energy	111.1	112.2	112.1	-1.0	-0.9

The Consumer Price Index (CPI) is produced on a monthly basis by Statistics Canada. The data used to determine the CPI are collected by survey and the results are released in Statistics Canada's publication, *The Consumer Price Index*, catalogue no. 62-001. The Index is used to determine price change (inflation or deflation) in a given city or province over time. In order to calculate the inflation/deflation rate in an area, an index for two time periods is required. The percentage change in this index from one point in time to the next is known as the 'rate of inflation' (or 'rate of deflation' if there is a decrease).

The current official time base of the Consumer Price Index (CPI) is 2002 = 100.